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SUBJECT: CCMS: SPRING 1975 PLENARY - ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

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SUMMARY: ASYG OZDAS HAS ISSUED NOTE (TEXT BELOW) OUTLINING PLANS FOR SPRING CCMS PLENARY (APRIL 8-9, 1975) ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION WHICH WILL FOCUS PARTICULARLY THIS TIME ON TOPIC OF "THE EFFECT OF THE ENERGY CRISIS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMMES." FURTHER GUIDELINES ON PROJECTED DISCUSSION EMERGED AT PRE-PLENARY PLANNING SESSION THIS WEEK AT NATO. END SUMMARY.

1. AT FEBRUARY 18 PRE PLEANRY MEETING AT NATO OF ALLIED DEL CCMS OFFICERS (REFTEL), OZDAS EDPLAINED THAT UK AND CANADIAN CCMS REPS HAD SUGGESTED EMPHASIZING IN ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION THIS TIME TO A PARTICULAR PRIORITY TOPIC CHOSEN IN ADVANCE. TOPIC OF " THE EFFECT OF ENERGY CRISIS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMMES," IN WHICH OTHERS HAD ALSO EXPRESSED INTEREST, HAD BEEN SPECIFIC SUGGESTION OF UK CCMS REP FAIRCLOUGH. OZDAS STRESSED THAT UNCLASSIFIED

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CHOICE OF TOPIC WAS INTENDED TO GENERATE FREE EXCHANGE OF ITEAS AROUND THE TABLE, NOT RPT NOT PROGUCE POLICY DECISIONS. SYG LUNS, WHO IN CAPABILITY AS CCMS CHAIRMAN WILL PRESIDE OVER ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION THROUGHOUT FIRST MORNING SESSION, WILL LEAD OFF

WITH BRIEF PREPARED GENERAL STATEMENT WHICH WILL CONCENTRATE ON ENERGY IMPACT THEME.

2. ALLIED DELOFFS CONVEYED GENERALLY FAVORABLE ALLIED REACTION TO CHOICE OF TOPIC. IN ANSWER TO FRG DELOFF'S POINT THAT GENERAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS SHOULD ALSO FIGURE IN ASSESSING PRESENT STATUS OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS, OZDAS AGREED AND SAID THAT INTENTION IN SELECTING TOPIC WAS TO PROMOTE, BUT NOT RPT NOT NARROWLY CONFINE DISCUSSION; ALLIED CCMS REPS WERE ENCOURAGED TO ADDRESS BROADER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS OR OTHER FACTORS AFFECTING ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS TO EXTENT THEY DEEMED APPROPRIATE; NATURE AND BREADTH OF INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO DISCUSSION WERE OF COURSE AT DISCRETION OF ALLIED REPS AND THEIR AUTHORITIES. OZDAS URGED THAT ALLIED AUTHORITIES CIRCULATE BEFOREHAND ANY RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION, E.G. PREPARED STATEMENTS OR PRIOR NATIONAL STUDIES (SUCH AS RECENT US EPA/DOT STUDY ON INCREASED FUEL ECONOMY VIS-A-VIS REDUCTION OF AUTO EMISSIONS, CIRCULATED HERE BY MISSION IN EARLY JANUARY), IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FURTHER BASIS FOR PROJECTED DISCUSSION AND TO STIMULATE PREPARATIONS FOR IT IN CAPITALS.

3. DANISH DELOFF COMMENTED THAT FALL PLENARY ROUND TABLE MIGHT ALSO BE OPPORTUNE MOMENT TO LOOK AHEAD TO NEXT YEARS UN CONFERENCE IN VANCOUVER ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS. OZDAS POINTED OUT THAT, NOTWITHSTANDING SELECTION THIS TIME OF A PARTICULAR PRIORITY TOPIC, FLEXIBLE CCMS ROUND TABLE FORMAT OFFERED SCOPE FOR PARTICIPANT TO RAISE OTHER SUBJECTS OR REPORT DEVELOPMENTS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO THEIR AUTHORITIES AS AT PREVIOUS PLENARIES.

4. BEGIN TEXT OF OZDAS NOTE:

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COMMITTEE ON THE CHALLENGES OF MODERN SOCIETY  
ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION - SPRING PLENARY - 8TH-9TH APRIL, 1975  
NOTE BY THE ACTING CHAIRMAN  
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A NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS HAVE SUGGESTED THE DESIRABILITY OF FOCUSING DISCUSSION IN THE ROUND TABLE AT OUR PLENARY SESSIONS ON A TOPIC OF PARTICULAR INTEREST. THIS IS NOT INTENDED TO REPLACE THE PRESENT OPEN-ENDED CHARACTER OF THE ROUND TABLE BUT RATHER TO PERMIT MORE SHARPLY FOCUSED DISCUSSION OF A TIMELY TOPIC.

2. FOR THIS SPRING PLENARY SESSION, IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT THE COMMITTEE DISCUSS "THE EFFECT OF THE ENERGY CRISIS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMMES", WITH THE OBJECT OF PROMOTING A FREE AND FRANK DISCUSSION OF NATIONAL EXPERIENCE. WHAT IS ENVISAGED IS AN INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND IDEAS WITH NO ATTEMPT TO ARRIVE AT POLICY DECISIONS OR TO REACH A CONSENSUS.

3. IT IS PLANNED THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL, AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, WOULD PRESIDE THROUGHOUT THIS ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION. HE WOULD LEAD OFF WITH A BRIEF STATEMENT AND THEN THE FLOOR WOULD BE OPEN TO THOSE CCMS REPRESENTATIVES WHO WISH TO OUTLINE THE EFFECT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMMES IN THEIR COUNTRIES OF THE ENERGY CRISIS.

4. AS A COMMITTEE WHICH HAS UNDERTAKEN ACTIVITY BOTH ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND ON ENERGY THE CCMS IS IN A UNIQUE POSITION TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED TOPIC. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE DISCUSSION ITSELF WOULD INVOLVE NOT ONLY EXPRESSIONS OF NATIONAL EXPERIENCE, BUT ALSO OPPORTUNITY FOR QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS AND FOR AN INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS.

5. MEMBER COUNTRIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO CIRCULATE RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION BEFOREHAND; THIS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO EACH DELEGATION, ATTENTION THE CCMS OFFICER, AND TO THE SECRETARIAT

(SIGNED) M.N. OZDAS

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